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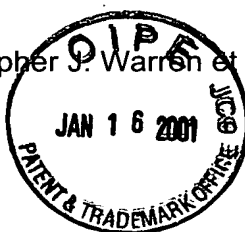
In re application of: Christopher J. Warren et al.

Group Art Unit: 1741

Serial No.: 09/119,187

Examiner: W. Leader

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For: METHOD FOR CREATING AND TESTING A COMBINATORIAL ARRAY
EMPLOYING INDIVIDUALLY ADDRESSABLE ELECTRODES

Attorney Docket No.: 1012-065C1 (98-15)

RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION

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Sir:

In response to the "Notice of Informal Application" attached to a Decision on
Petition mailed on December 22, 2000, (copy attached)" Applicants submit herewith
the original Declaration as initialed by the Inventor McFarland as well as another

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If any additional fee is due with the filing of this paper please charge the amount to deposit account 50-0496.

In the event the Examiner would like to discuss the foregoing, please contact Eric Dobrusin at (248) 593-9900.

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Title: Method of Creating and Testing a
Combinatorial Array Employing Individually
Addressable Electrodes

NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION

(Attachment to Office Action)

This application does not conform with the rules governing applications for the reason(s) checked below. The period within which to correct these requirements and avoid abandonment is set in the accompanying Office action.

A. A new oath or declaration, identifying this application by the serial number and filing date is required. The oath or declaration does not comply with 37 CFR 1.63 in that it:

1. ☐ was not executed in accordance with either 37 CFR 1.66 or 1.68.
2. ☐ does not identify the city and state or foreign country of residence of each inventor.
3. ☐ does not identify the citizenship of each inventor.
4. ☐ does not state whether the inventor is a sole or joint inventor.
5. ☐ does not state that the person making the oath or declaration:
 - a. ☐ has reviewed and understands the contents of the specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment specifically referred to in the oath or declaration.
 - b. ☐ believes the named inventor or inventors to be the original and first inventor or inventors of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought.
 - c. ☐ acknowledges the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of the application in accordance with 37 CFR 1.56(a).
6. ☐ does not identify the foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate on which priority is claimed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.55, and any foreign application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed, by specifying the application serial number, country, day, month, and year of its filing.
7. ☐ does not state that the person making the oath or declaration acknowledges the duty to disclose material information as defined in 37 CFR 1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and filing date of the continuation-in-part application which discloses and claims subject matter in addition to that disclosed in the prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d)).
8. ☐ does not include the date of execution.
9. ☐ does not use permanent ink, or its equivalent in quality, as required under 37 CFR 1.52(a) for the: ☐ signature ☐ oath/declaration.
10. ☒ contains non-initialed alterations (See 37 CFR 1.52(c) and 1.56). -Inventor McFarland.
11. ☐ does not contain the clause regarding "willful false statements..." as required by 37 CFR 1.68.
12. ☐ Other:

B. Applicant is required to provide:

1. ☐ A statement signed by applicant giving his or her complete name. A full name must include at least one given name without abbreviation as required by 37 CFR 1.41(a).
2. ☐ Proof of authority of the legal representative under 37 CFR 1.44.
3. ☐ An abstract in compliance with 37 CFR 1.72(b).
4. ☐ A statement signed by applicant giving his or her complete post office address (37 CFR 1.33(a)).
5. ☐ A copy of the specification written, typed, or printed in permanent ink, or its equivalent in quality as required by 37 CFR 1.52(a).
6. ☐ Other: